

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claims 1-26 remain pending. In this response, claims 1-24 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 25 and 26 have been amended to particularly point out and distinctly claim, in full, clear, concise, and exact terms, the subject matter which Applicant regards as his invention. Claims 27-41 have been added. No new matter has been added.

The specification is objected to as having informalities. In view of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that the objections has been overcome.

Claims 25 and 26 have been objected as having informalities. In addition, claims 25 and 26 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. In view of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that the objection and the 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph rejection have been overcome.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 25 and 26 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the objections and rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 25 and 26 have been so amended.

Claims 27-41 have been added. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 27-40 are allowable as they depend on independent claims 25 and 26. Furthermore, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claim 41 is allowable as this is a network claim corresponding to independent claim 25.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits the present application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite


or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (408) 720-8300.

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Respectfully submitted,

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